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District: 05 – Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz Counties

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

###UPDATE###

CALTRANS CONTINUES TO REBUILD/REPAIR BRIDGES ON STATE ROUTE 192

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY – Caltrans is continuing to rebuild and repair seven bridges along State Route 192 following debris flows and flooding in the Montecito area this past January. Caltrans is working with our utility partners to repair and replace these bridges to restore full access for the community. Caltrans is striving to complete work within the creeks before the winter storm season.

An update on these projects estimated at \$55 million is as follows:

Montecito Creek Bridge (PM 8.12): Southern California Gas is continuing with the relocation of a high-pressure gas line working six days a week until approximately October 14.

Following this utility work, Security Paving will maintain construction seven days a week from 7 am until 6 pm to complete work in the creek areas to protect the new bridge and surrounding area during the rainy season.

This bridge is expected to be re-opened to traffic with some restrictions this winter.

Toro Canyon Creek Bridge (PM 12.49): Slope paving construction will continue for the next 3 to 4 weeks. Utility companies will begin attaching water and gas lines to the bridge in early October followed by final paving, striping and the installation of guardrail and bike rails. This bridge is expected to be re-opened to traffic with some restrictions this fall.

Romero Canyon Creek Bridge (PM 10.92): Bridge rail work to be completed by mid-October. Slope paving will continue for the next 4 to 5 weeks followed by the installation of guardrail and crash cushions. This bridge is expected to re-open to traffic with some restrictions this fall.

The San Ysidro Creek (PM 9.6) Bridge: Bridge rail work is expected to be finished by mid-October followed by the installation of crash cushions, guardrail and bike rails. All work on this bridge is scheduled to be completed this fall.

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The Toro Creek Bridge (PM 12.14): Bridge widening on the upstream side is complete. Construction work on this bridge is estimated to continue through the upcoming winter. The estimated cost for construction on these five bridges is estimated at \$20 million.

Olive Mill Bridge at US 101 (PM 10.54): Drain pipe installation has been completed with deck and barrier slabs expected to be poured in early October. All work should be completed in December. Granite Construction is the contractor for this \$25 million project.

Arroyo Paredon Bridge (PM 15.50): Stream stabilization work continues downstream of the bridge. The forming of bridge abutments is continuing with concrete placement scheduled for early October. This bridge is expected to be open to the public this winter. Lash Construction of Santa Barbara is the contractor for the \$10 million replacement of this bridge.

Barricades and locked gates secure each location with detours available via local roads. Emergency responders will maintain access to these locked areas for public safety.

A segment of State Route 192 is open to motorists but **through traffic is strongly advised to continue using US 101**. State Route 192 remains closed between Sycamore Canyon/Camino Viejo Road and Cravens Lane.



(Left to Right) Falsework on Romero Canyon Creek Bridge and Rail Backwall Pour at Toro Creek Bridge.

Caltrans reminds motorists to move over and slow down when driving through highway work zones.

For more information on this project and for traffic updates on other Caltrans projects in Santa Barbara County, residents may call the District 5 Public Affairs Unit at (805) 549-3237 visit our website at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/paffairs/release.htm#sb>

